Amendments to the Claims:

This claim listing will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Claim Listing:

1 - 33. (Canceled)

- 34. (Previously Amended) A method for inhibiting neoplastic cell proliferation in an animal comprising administering to an animal having at least one neoplastic cell present in its body a therapeutically effective amount of an agent that inhibits one or more specific histone deacetylase isoforms, but less than all histone deacetylase isoforms.
- 35. (Previously Amended) A method for inhibiting neoplastic cell proliferation in an animal comprising administering to an animal having at least one neoplastic cell present in its body a therapeutically effective amount of an agent that inhibits one or more specific histone deacetylase isoforms, but less than all histone deacetylase isoforms, wherein the agent is an oligonucleotide complementary to a region of RNA or double-stranded DNA that encodes a portion of one or more histone deacetylase isoforms.
- 36. (Original) The method according to claim 35, wherein the animal is a human.
- 37. (Original) The method according to claim 35, further comprising administering to the animal a therapeutically effective amount of a histone deacetylase small molecule inhibitor with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier for a therapeutically effective period of time.
- 44. (Canceled)
- 45. (Previously Amended) A method for modulating cell proliferation or differentiation of a cell comprising inhibiting a specific HDAC isoforms that is involved in cell proliferation

- or differentiation by contacting the cell with an agent that inhibits one or more specific histone deacetylase isoforms, but less than all histone deacetylase isoforms.
- 46. (Original) The method according to claim 45, wherein the cell proliferation is neoplasia.
- 47. (Original) The method according to claim 46, wherein the histone deacetylase isoform is selected from the group consisting of HDAC-1, HDAC-2, HDAC-3, HDAC-4, HDAC-5, HDAC-6, HDAC-7 AND HDAC-8.
- 48. (Original) The method according to claim 47, wherein the histone deacetylase isoform is HDAC-1 and/or HDAC-4.
- 49. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 34, wherein the animal is a human.
- 50. (Previously Presented) A method for inhibiting neoplastic cell proliferation in an animal comprising administering to an animal having at least one neoplastic cell present in its body a therapeutically effective amount of an agent that inhibits one or more specific histone deacetylase isoforms, but less than all histone deacetylase isoforms, wherein the agent is a histone deacetylase small molecule inhibitor.
- 51. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 50, wherein the animal is a human.
- 52. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 50, further comprising administering to the animal a therapeutically effective amount of an oligonucleotide complementary to a region of RNA or double-stranded DNA that encodes a portion of one or more histone deacetylase isoforms with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier for a therapeutically effective period of time.